come here to be present at the inaugural ceremonies, will leave for

gown of black moire velours, the bodice being of turquoise blue satin overlaid with

embroidery of pearls, crystal and tur-quoise. Mrs. Stafford will probably re-

turn here after Lent, and next season will spend several months at the Capital

noon by ex-Secretary and Miss Herbert, in

Miss Long, was a delightful affair, and

was largely attended. The drawing-rooms were beautifully decorated with American

in blue and pink pempadour silk, with a

Miss Long, who made a favorable in-

pression by her gracious manner and sweet

face, was attired in pink and black satin,

Which was very becoming to her fair com-

plexion and light hair. The new Secre

tary greeted all cordially and seemed to

In the tearoom Mrs. Micou presided in

her usual graceful manner and Mrs.

Leonard Ward assisted Mrs. Micou

was gowned in cream brocade and Mrs

Ward were a becoming combination of red

Among those present were: Mrs. Draper, of K street, who were green velvet and

pearls: Mrs. Chadwick, wife of Commander

Chadwick, black velvet and point lace; Miss

Miles, red velvet; Miss Coleman, pearl cloth; Miss Martha Hichborn, black velvet

and blue cloth; Miss Tyler, the grand-

brocade and point lace; Miss Condit-Smith,

blue and white satin and lace; Mrs. Rich-

ardson Clover, Mrs. Tryon, wife of Surgeon

General Tryon; Mrs. Norton, Mrs. Marmion,

Mrs. Heywood, Mr. William McAdoo, Mr.

McFinney, Surgeon General Rufus Tryon, Rear Admiral and Miss Ramsay, Capt, and

Mrs. Sampson, Lieut, Griffin, Commander

and Mrs. McGowan, Commodore Mathews

Commander and Mrs. Sigsbee, Commander

and Mrs. Charles H. Davis, Lieut. Kimball,

Commander Norton, of the Navy Yard;

Lieut. Braper, and in fact about all of the

Miss Grace Montgomery gave an "ole

time party' to her friends at her residence, 528 Third street northwest, Fri-

In an anusing imitation of the old-time

cakewalk, Mr. M. O. Eldridge won the gen

the close of the promenade refreshment

and wife, P. Zimmerman and wife, Charle

Montgomery and wife, M. O. Eldridge, Scott McGill, Steve Johnson, C. D. Find-

iey, Howard Wilson, J. Minues, A. L. Dietrich, A. M. Orrison, S. T. Murray,

E. B. Peery, W. A. Gannon, J. E. Baird, R. E. L. Smith and W. S. Stamper.

The engagement is announced of Mr

Mrs. Huysman gave a dinner of twenty

guests, Mr. C. F. Wade, Mr. and Mrs. Russefl, of Philadelphia, and Mrs. Nannie

Mrs. John J. Lordan will give an "a

home," Thursday, March 18, at No. 2931 Fifteenth street northwest, from 4 to 6

Ex-Queen Liliuokalani will hold a second reception at the Cairo this week

It will be in the ballroom of the hotel, or

the first floor, which apartments will be

lighted and warmed for the occasion. The

Mrs. Charles Lumsden, of Lypchborg.

Va., is a guest of Mrs. Tanner, of Thir-

Mrs. M. Hallowell Campbell, Miss Corinns

amphell and Mr. George Cook are at the

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Riddle entertained

a number of friends Tuesday evening, the

ecasion being the fifth anniversary of

their marriage. Mr. Clarence Anderso

dered several selections on the piano, ac-

Miss Mollie Balster was heard in a number

of vocal selections, which were highly

Mr. C. A. Riddle, Mr. C. Anderson,

Mr. and Mrs. Witzler, Mr. and Mrs.

Mr and Mrs. Murray, Mrs. J. Balster, Mis

Mollie Balster, Mr and Mrs. Page, Mr and

Mrs. Ranel, Mrs. J. Mayer, Miss Lula Mayer

Mrs. C. Nowell, Miss Myrtle Nowell, Mr

George Carter, of Baltimore; Miss Clara Dixon, of Savanuah; Mrs. L. Mountiner

Miss Rhoda Mountiner, Miss Aline Murray

and Miss Bertha Riddle. Refreshments were

Mrs. Theodore W. Birney and her two little

laughters will leave for California on Tues

The Sans Souci Club of the Central High

School was entertained by Miss Mabe

Elliot at a progressive cuchre party Fri day evening. Refreshments were served. The prizes were awarded to Miss Elliot

and Mr. Wallace. The club quartet, con

posed of Miss Jordan, Miss Keyser, Mr.

Gunnell and Mr. Bishop rendered several selections and the entire club joined in

the chorus. Those present were Miss Jor-

Cauley, Miss Bayley, Miss Lamborne, Miss

Mr. Hogue, Mr. Renaud, Mr. Young, Mr.

Brinkerhoff, Mr. Bishop and Mr. Wallace

The members of the Wim Wam Club

were entertained Friday evening at the

residence of George W. Taylor, No. 512

The guests were Mr. Lubkirt, Mr. Varilla

Mr. Luckey, Mr. Taylor, Miss McKee,

Miss Whitehurst, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Genist, Mrs. E. F. Bisbee of Boston, and

A birthday party was given Friday even

ing at the residence of J. C. F. Hartley,

No. 611 E street, in honor of his brother,

E. R. S. Embrey. Games and music were

enjoyed and refreshments served.

Those present were Miss Rosa Scott, Miss

Hattie Scott, Miss Merchant, Miss Disney,

Miss Downing, Miss Annie Hartley, Miss

Marion Hartley, Miss Lizzie Embrey, Mr.

Hayden, Mr. Repetti, Mr. Barr, Mr.

Wallace, Mr. Embrey, Mr. Preston Hartley

Mr. James Hartley, Mr. Joseph Hartley, Mr.

Miss Whitehurst of Norfolk, Va.

M street northwest.

Connors.

Mr. and Mrs.

appreciated.

Ansley,

afternoon of Tuesday, March 16.

Geriock Hotel, Old Point Confort.

Charles F. Wade, of Providence, R. L. to

Mrs. Jennie E. Huysman, of this city,

covers, Friday evening, in honor of

Oesterla, of New York.

Navy people of Washington.

daughter of ex-President Tyler,

enjoy the occasion very much.

velvet and gray corded silk.

bodice of blue velvet, with becoming touche

honor of the Secretary of the Navy a

four constituting the receiving line.

of pink

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982888988888888888888888 Mrs. Hopkins Still in Jail. The case of Mollie J. Hopkins, the young oman charged with stealing towels from the Capitol and shop-lifting at the Palais until Friday to give her time to prepare a defense, and she was remanded to jail in default of \$500 bail. Her husband, William F. Hopkins, is a decorator instead of a greeer and the grocery bill spoken of by Mrs. Hopkins was rub in his name and

LIFE AT THE WHITE HOUSE

Large Number of Guests Entertained by Mrs. McKinley.

The Young People Have a Merry Time at the Mansion-Reception to Secretary Long.

Bome of the advance brightness of springtime seems to have gotten into the White House during these latter days, and though most of the young people who helped to bring it have gone back to college or school, a goodly share remains to those now within the portals, who are doing so much for the pleasure and comfort of others.

In all the years since Mrs. Adams, the first mistress, graced it with her presence and dispensed the genial hospitality of her day, there has not been so many guests beneath its roof at one time, and never so large a company of young people to explore its every crainsy and corner, from cellar to

attic, as these young people have done. If the stately dames who look down from the walls of the state departments have been somewhat shocked by the unceremonious fashion in which these young people have made merry in these historic apartments they must also have been glad at the joy and galety they have brought with them.

There is an atmosphere of home about the old place which is very delightful to those who have been the recipient of the generous hospitality of the President and Mrs. McKinley.

During the past week guests have been entertained at luncheon and at dinner every day since the inauguration.

Both luncheons and dinners have been charmingly informal and have included merely relatives and the most intimate friends of the President and Mrs. Mc-

At luncheon each day the table has been simply but artistically decorated with ferns of different varieties. At dinner the enterpiece has invariably been a basket f beautiful lilies, hyacinths and spring flowers, a different variety being used

The bouquets which have invariably been ovided for each goest have been of violets, Illies, roses, jonquils, and similar tokens of springtime. Mrs. McKinley has, after each dinner, sent the basket centerpiece to some relative or friend who not present at that particular dinner. Mrs. M. A. Stafford, of New York, who had the honor to be the recipient of the flowers from the first dinner at the White House, received a beautiful basket of lilies of the valley fringed with a circle of maidenhair

Mrs. McKinley has worn some beautiful gowns at these dinners. One of the most becoming was a magnificent gown of royal blue velvet, embroidered in jewels and trimmed with rose point; a second was a beautiful creation of rose-colored velvet and black moire velour.

The guest of honor during the first part of the week was, of course, Mrs. McKinley, mother of the President. This charming old lady, who delighted all who met her, seemed equally delighted with her visit to Washington, and the attentions which were showered upon her.

Among the happy recollections of this most eventful week, which has been full of pride and joy to her, there will linger a little incident which occurred on the the party returned from the inaugural ceremonies at the Capitol; all were, of course, somewhat exhausted by the bustle and excitement of the inaugural ceremonies, and Mother McKinley seemed especially so. Mrs Cleveland, ever watchful for the comfort of others, was at once by the side of the President's mother, whose bonnet and wraps she removed with her own hands and otherwise did this with such ready tact and gracefulness that the attention was scarcely noted by others present. Mother McKinley, however, will probably remember with pleasure the kind words and atten-

tion of Mrs. Cleveland for many a day Mrs. McKinley rises very early and breakfasts with the President down stairs every morning at 8 o'clock. Immediately after breakfast her mail is brought to her and she reads the letters and answers many of them personally; others she leaves for her unt, Mrs. Maria Saxton, to reply to, but for these she makes suggestions also. This duty completed, Mrs. McKinley goes for a drive, accompanied by one of the guests in the house. On several occasions her drive has been to Garfield Hospital to

carries quantities of flowers. On other occasions she visits personal friends. After returning to the White House, Mrs. McKinley spends the rest of the morning crocheting or reading. As every one knows, crocheting slippers is a favorite occupation of Mrs. McKinley. She has made and sent to the hospital hundreds of pairs of these most comfortable and pretty slippers. At present Mrs. McKinley is at work on a pair of pale blue ones, and there are many conjectures as to who is to be the fortunate recipient of these, the first she has made in the

visit Gen. Hastings, to whom she always

Mrs. McKinley is very fond of flowers

Luncheon is at 1:30, after which Mrs. McKinley rests for haif an hour. She then isually goes for a second drive, returning in time to receive callers for an hour or more during the afternoon. About 5 o'clock Mrs. McKinley retires to her room for half an hour's stesta, after which she dresses One of Mrs. McKinley's little fads is always to be dressed in a close-fitting garment, as she particularly dislikes wrappers and tearus, never wearing them, even at breakfast time, when almost all the feminine

world enjoys negligee.
In the evening informal visits from personal friends take up the time, which is also enlivened by the singing and pianoplaying of Miss Mabel McKinley, her favor tte niece. The beautiful Baby Grand, which is a new feature of the Blue Parior, responds almost every evening to the cultivated touch of Miss Mabel, who sings

all who hear them. Among those who have been the guests at the White House during the week are Mrs. McKinley, mother of the President; Miss Helen McKinley, sister of the President; Mr. and Mrs. Barber, Mrs. Mac-Dougall, Mr. C. A. Grasselli, of Cleveland, Onio; Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Stafford, of New York; Mr. and Mrs. Abner McKinley, Miss Mabel McKinley, and Mrs. Saxton, who will remain permanently at the White House, and who will relieve Mrs. McKinley of much of the burden of seeing stragers

and of the minor details of daily life Miss Mable McKinley is now a guest at the White House, as are Capt, and Mrs McWilliams and Mr and Mrs. George D. Morse, of California. Mrs. Morse is also a piece of the President. Among those who called on Mrs. McKinley yesterday were the Secretary of State and Mrs. Sherman, Mme. Lazo Arriaga, Justice and Mrs. Field, Mrs. John Lee Davis, Rear Admiral and Mrs. Sternmill, Mrs. McQueen, Mrs. Holgate. Mrs. Kilpatrick and Mrs. A. J.

King, of Colorado. Mr. and Mrs. Miles Aloysius Stafford of New York, who have been Mr. James Hartley, Mr. Joseph Ha in Washington some time, having Edgar Scott and Mr. Frank Scott.

their home today. They were of the Presidential party at all the festivities, and have been entertained almost daily at the White House since. Mrs. Stafford is quite young and beautiful. She is a No Diminution of the Number brunette with a handsome figure and per-Who Suffer From It. fectly modeled neck and arms. Her dressing is chic, and her Parisian costumes attracted flattering comment wherever she appeared. At a dinner given by Mrs. McKinley, Thursday, she wore a French

SOME BELATED PROMOTIONS

Ex-Secretary Francis Made Out a Number of Commissions on March 5, an Hour or Two Before His Successor Was Appointed-The General Policy of Delay.

The flood of applications for places under the several departments is practically on Beauties and spring blossoms. The guests, who represented the Navy, were presented abated, and the visits of the men of influ ence continue. Each of the Secretaries to Secretary Long and Miss Long by ex-Secretary Herbert and Miss Herbert, the has the greater part of his time occupied by callers each day, and yesterday was no

Sixty-three ampirants for the various Treasury positions were registered yes-

Hon. John W. Mason, of West Virginia, ssioner of Internal Revenue, appiles for Assistant Secretary of the Treasury; E. M. S. Young, of Pennsylvania, F. H. Morris, of Chio, and George A. Hay, of Ohlo, auditor for the Postoffice Department; T. V. Powderly, the labor leader, of Pennsylvania, for Commissioner of Immigration; Joseph P. Manning, of Onio, for Register of the Treasury; Albert R. Millet, of California, for Commissioner of Immigration; L. M. Kelly, of Illinois, auditor for the War Department; W. H. Powell, of lilinois, Register of the Treasury; Will Cumback, of Indiana, Assistant Secretary; B. Clinton Hill, of New York, Assistant Secretary, James E. Shepard, of North Carolina, auditor for the Navy Department; F. W. Dixon, of North Carolina, Register of the Treasury, Cyril Hawkins, of Ohio, auditor for the Interior Department, and A. P. Case, of Illinois, for United States

Other applications in the list are: Collectors of internal revenue-Thomas J. Fry, Denver, Colo.; L. T. Hov, Woodstock, Ill.; John A. Williams, Patricksburg, Ind; John P. Weiker, Davenport, Iowa; A. N. Gissel, Dodge City, Kans.; P. N. Hicks, Glenlock, Kans.; Albert Crail, Dayton, Kv. J. R. McMillan, Clinton, Md.; W. N. Mof-fett, Kalamazoo, Mich.; U. Francis Duff, Scott Town, Ohio; E. T. Hatch, McCoy, Oreg; George W. Davis, El Paso, Tex; A. J. Rosenthal, Galveston, Tex.; G. P. Waldorf, Toledo, Ohio; Edward Hughes, Portage, Ohio; Edward Greer, London, Tenn.; J. J. Weller, Dollas, Tex., and J. P. Hambrick, Huntington, W. Va. Collectors of customs R. C. Powers,

day evening. The parlors were beautifully decorated with palms and evergreens Prescott, Ariz.; J. E. Enbanks, San Francisco, Cai.; W. H. McDouald, Punta Rassa, tiemen's first prize, and Miss Adeline Haynes of Richmond, the ladles'. At Fla., John H. Howell, Fernandma, Fla. Joseph Firebaugh, Robinson, III.; W. J. were served from a beautifully decorated Behan, White Castle, La.; W. W. Allen, Minneapolis, Minn.; M. M. Lockwood, and artistically arranged table. Among N. M. C. C. Forbes, Raicigh, N. C.; C. E. Benham, Cleveland, Ohio, W. H. Cookthose present were Miss Bertin Stier, Miss Rosa Busey, Miss Lillie Besey, Miss Sedonia Warner, Miss Gertrude Warner, Muss Mand Howell, Miss Blanche Howell, Miss Nida Keefer, Miss Ella Dietrich, Miss Sallie Mason, Miss Paulin Chapman, Fe, N. M.; and W. F. Morrow, Hartwell, Miss Florence Herbert, Miss Adeline

George F. Wickersham, of Pittsburg, Pa. is an aspirant for the position of surveyor of customs: George P. Ricker, of Philadelphia, for an appraisership at Pailadelphia: Bromley Wharton, of Philadel-phia, for an assistant appraisership: Alexander Bruce and Charles Motry, of Cleveland. Onto, for the appraisership of Cleve-

pitcation for the Comptrollership of the Treasury; J. H. Claypool applies for the position of surveyor of customs at Indianapolas H. J. McKinney, of Bradford, O., for of Columbus, to be surveyor of custom ing inspector of steam vessels at St. Paul. auditor for the War Department.

ing comment in some quarters, to the effect that ex-Secretary Francis of the Interior Department made a number of pronotions on the 5th day of March, but an hour or two before his successor was sworn in. There is possibly no legal objection to the action, but those conversant with the facts are disposed to a breach of courtesy and propriety.

It appears there were fifteen or twenty persons in the department who were on the messenger list. It was decided to promote them, under the classified service rules, to the clerk class, with pay at \$900 per annum. The matter was pushed igh and the commissions placed before the Secretary on the morning of the day succeeding the inauguration, and to complete the transaction he attached his signature to the papers, thus forwarding the massengers on the up grade of the

civil service way. There will be no change in the office of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for this course aside from the general policy of delay. It is said there is a tangle among the candidates which Secretary Long is not disposed to straighten. Mr. McAdoo is understood to have received a request from Mr. Long to remain a month or two. and he has consented.

Commodore J. N. Miller, commandant of the Boston naval station, is here to present his request for appointment to suce Admiral Ramsey as chief of the Navigation Burean. Commodore Miller will also undergo examination for promotion to the next higher grade in his service.

At a conference yesterday noon between the President and Secretary Gage, the question of appointing Assistant Secre taries and a chief clerk in the Treasury Department was considered.

The fact that wvo selections have been agreed upon, those of Messrs. Spaulding and Howell, is undisputed, but after the conference it was authoritatively stated that there are to be no appointments within the next ten days.

The purpose of the President and his Cabinet, but particularly the President, to make haste slowly in the matter of appointments was thus reasserted and en phasized.

In a number of States there is a wrangle the President has to bestow. He has talked frankly with the Senators and Representatives from each of the States where there is the slightest dissension, and advised them of the necessity of getting together and agreeing upon the candidates. He cannot treat with divided delegations, nor will he decide local contests.

It is related that President Cleveland once took the bulls by the horns in a similar way with the Missouri delegation in Congress. There were two candidates for Collector of Internal Revenue in a district in which six Congressmen were in-terested, from the fact that the collection district embraced a part of the Congress-lonal district of each. Three Congressmen eplisted a Senator in behalf of their man and the other three and the other enator indorsed the other candidate. Mr. Cleveland sent for them one day, when six months or more had clapsed, and asked them if they had reached an agreement.

They had not. "Then," said the President, "I shall have to find a man for collector. In a few days thereafter the name of a man no one had ever suggested for the Bon Marche, 314 and 316 7th St. N. W.

3 Big Sales Begin Monday

and the extraordinary values offered should crown the store to overflowing every day of the coming week. Surpassing values in Fine Muslin Underwear. Mere "phantoms" of prices for White Goods. New Tailor-made Spring Suits and Skirts at unprecedented introductory prices. Every item is a leader in its class. You cannot afford to skip so much as a line of what follows:

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\$1.27 for Ladies' Fine Cambricand Muslin Umbrelia Skirts, made with French band and trimmed with fine embraidery. Regular \$1.48 value.

\$13.98 for Superb Black Moire Velour Skirts, lined throughout with changeable silk—good value at \$16.

Clearing=up Sale of White Lawn, India Linen and Swiss "Remnants," Embroideries and Insertings.

Remnants of White Lawns,

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place was sent to the Senate, and the ap- furniture was damaged to the extent of pointment was promptly confirmed. Gen. Cyrus Bussy visited Secretary Bliss several times yesterday afternoon, and these numerous conferences have added weight to a ramor that he is slated for the position of First Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

Gen. Longstreet, who is a candidate for United States Railroad Commissioner; William G. Milholland and Warner Miller, of New York; Chairman Buck, and Committeemen Houson, of Georgia, were also imong Secretary Biss' numerous visitors. Perry Heath, whose appointment as First

Assistant Postmaster General is now con sidered certain, was in the Postoffice De partment yesterday, presumably to familiar ze himself with the duties of his new

Mudd, of Maryland; Senator Spooner and Representatives Cooper, Babcock, Barney, Cook, Griffin, Minor, Stewart, Somers and Jenkins, of the Wisconsin delegation; ex-Representative Farquhar, of New York; Senator Wetmore, of Rhode Island; Senator Chandler, of New Hampshire, and Repre sentative Dorr, of West Virginia. Secretary of Agriculture Wilson's com-parative freedom from callers is probably

due to the positive stand he has taken on the matter of appointments. He declares that he will make no change in his office except on the score of efficiency and in exact conformity to the civil service rules. There are only two positions in the deretary and the Chief of the Weather Bureau, which are open to Presidential appointces. Chief of the Weather Burcau Moore is

considered perfectly safe in the position NEWS FROM ALEXANDRIA

Small Building on Royal Street Damaged by Fire.

Accident to William Fones-Republican Convention Will Meet Tuesday Night.

Alexandria, March 13.-The small frame building at the corner of Royal and Oronoco streets, occupied by Morris Lee, colored, was badly damaged by fire this evening. Mr. Charles A. Chipley, who has been promoted to the position of general freight agent of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, is a son of the late Samuel N. Chipley, of this city, and has many friends here.

William Fones, while at work in the planing mill of J. H. D. Smoot, today, had his hand caught in a molding machine at which he was at work, and the ends of two of his fingers were cut off. He was attended by Dr. Jones. A horse attached to a wagon became

frightened at a passing electric car at the corner of King and Pitt streets today and dashed into a crowd of pedestrians. The animal was caught by Mr. Gilbert Simpson, who was dragged about thirty feet, be not relax his hold on the bridle until the horse was brought to a standstill.

The members of Mount Vernon Council, D. A., have accepted an invitation from the Junior Order American Mechanics to be present at a supper to be given at Odd Fellows' Hall on the 25th instant. On this occasion the State officers of Maryland will be present.

Mr. Gardner L. Boothe, special commissioner, will on Monday file his report in circuit court in the case of J. L. White vs. the Farmers and Mechanics' Insurance Company et al.

A meeting of Alexandria Council, A. O. H., will be held in St. Mary's Hall tomor-

row afternoon. The circuit court for the city, Judge Nicol, will meet on Monday.

A case of scarlet fever at No. 317 North Pitt street was reported at police headquarters yesterday.

lot of ground on the south side of Wolfe streect, between Lee and Union streets, for \$364. The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will hold a meeting in the M. E. Church, South, on Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.
The little son of Mrs. Riner, who was

A. J. Fair has sold to G. E. Laycock a

a few days ago, is rapidly recovering from Golden Light Lodge of Good Templars has given up its lease of the ball on Fairfax street and sold its furniture to Belle

run over by a team on South Alfred street

Haven Council, Jr. O. U. A. M. A lamp exploded at the residence of Mrs. Frank Grimes, on Upper Prince street, last night, setting fire to the room. The

about \$35. The Republican convention, which nict

In this city last fall and adjourned subject to call, will re-convene in Odd Fellows Hall on Toesday night next. Mrs. Edward Lawler suffered a second stroke of paralysis today, and is in a critical condition at her home, on Wilkes

Rev. W. C. Campbell, D. D., of Roanoke moderator of the synod of Virginia, will occupy the pulpit of the Second Presbyterian Church tomorrow.

Miss Maud Francis, of Hamilton, Va., is

sins, the Misses Francis, on North Alfred street. Miss Mary Tebbs is seriously H1 at her come on Queen street. The funeral of the late Mrs. Anna Eliza-

both Marbury will take place from St. Gary were Representatives McDonald and Paul's Church, Sunday afternoon, at 4 The funeral of Mrs. Mary Geary, whose accidental death was reported in The Even-

ing Times, will take place from St. Mary's Church Monday morning A Personal Statement.

To the Editor of The Times: I wish you would notice that Article in or Paper of March 11, 1897, "Duped by her Husband."

My wife gave me \$4,500 to keep for her, for which I gave my Note to secure ber. I am not able to pay that Amount at present, and a cranky Lawyer has done are thronged, especially with the soft-Yours.

DR. JOHN E. RUEBSAM. P. S.-You may prefere to pay thuse \$4,500 to my wife at once. Washington, March 12.

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Dress Skirts of every description, black and colored, plain and fig-ured, some as low as

95c Dress Waists in flannel, worsted

15c Boys' Shirt Waists, the regular 69c percale waists, the latest patterns, temorrow at 47c; and the reg-ular 25c waists go at

2 for 25c ss Goods in black and colored, ain figured and plaid. We only note the price of two kinds, the ain black slik brilliantine, worth Sc. will go at 25c, and some swheet hald at

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6c Yard-wide Bleached Cotton . 4 %c 6c Yard-wide Unbleached Cottor 4 4c 12c Yard-wide best Percale 7%c 6 1-2c Outing Flannel...... Sc White Goods..... So Ginghams..... 10c Men's Socks 10c Ladies' Hose..... 10c Children's Hose..... 5c Handkerchiefs..... 10c Ammonia..... be Cold Cream, 3 for..... 10c Oriental Lace New goods are now arriving Our prices always the lowest.

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THE LAWMAKERS ARRIVING

New Congressmen Crowding the Down-Town Hotel Lobbies.

SOME OF THE LATE COMERS

The Southerners Much in Evidence Around the Metropolitan-The Successor to Mr. Crisp-Jerry Simps son Busy Renewing Old Acquainsances and Making New Ones.

The hotels show the neurness of the extra session. Their cutridors and lobbies are almost as enoughed as during inauguration week, and the clerks report that few rooms are vacant.

Most of the Congressmen are already here and the remainder, with few exceptions, will be here before Congress is called to order. The down-town hotels seem to be must attractive to the new hawmakers. They

the Ralkance, so I think "Duping" is a list Southern contingent. The Metro-little too much to endure. like the lobby of a Virginia courthouse.

Among the new members at the Metropolitan are William G. Brantley, Democrat, of Brunswick, Ga., successor of Turner, Robert Broussard, Democrat, of New Iberia, La., succeeding Price: Robert C. Davey, Democrat, of Louisiana: Patrick Henry, Democrat, of Brandon, Miss., succeeding Spencer, E. R. Lewis, J. M. Griggs, William M. Howard and W. C.

> Democrat; T. S. Plawman, of Alabama, Democrat; M. E. Benton, of Missouri, Democrat, and R. E. Burke and J. W. Craword, of Texas, both Democrats. Congressman E. B. Lewis is the successor of the late Charles F. Crisp. He brings Mrs. Lewis and their daughter, and is also accompanied by his private secretary, H. E. Cootes. Mr. Underwood, of Alabama, has been out one term, giving place to Truman H. Alrieich the R.

Adamson, of Georgia; all Democrate;

crat; John Lamb, of Richmond, Va.

fourth. At the National are: Samuel W. T. Lanham, of Texas; John H. Stephens, of Texas: W. D. Vincent, of Clay Center, and Jerry Simpson, Kansas.

Jerry Simpson's health has greatly im-proved since he left here at the close of the Fifty-third Congress. He spent yes-terday in meeting his old-time Congressional friends and making the sequaintance of his new comrades. Among the new Congressmen at Willard's

re Samuel A. Davenport, Republican, from Erie, Pa., and William S. Cownerd, of Kansas City, Mo. Galusha A. Grow also arrived yesterday. At the Shoreham are M E. Olmstead and William Connell, of Pennsylvania. Mr.

Connell succeeds Congressman Scranton.
Mr. George A. Marshall is at the Riggs.

He succeeds Layton, Senator Fairbanks, of Indiana, who takes the place of Voorhees, is at the Arlington, All the new Republican Congressmen in town last night, thirty or more, were at the Republican caucus.

THE WORKINGMEN'S LIBRARY. Affairs of the Association in Sat-

The board of managers of the Workingmen's Library Association and Labor Bureau met last evening at the rooms of the association, No. 609 C street. Manathe association during the last month was very satisfactory. In fact, the outlook at present was more favorable than at any time during the last six months. During the last month the Tailors, Tinners, and Carpenters' Assembly, 1748, had become tenants, which had added materially to the funds of the association.

A resolution was adopted requesting the inaugural committee to donote the balance of the fund after all expenses were paid, to the Washington Free Library. Arrangements are being made for an entertainment which will be given at Typographical Temple, on April 5.

Walling Gets a Short Respite. Frankfort, Ky., March 13.-Gov. Bradley has respited Alonzo Walling until March 24.